

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1903.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mr. Will Chapman moved his family to Portland Monday.

Mr. Chester Lane of West Paris visited in Bethel last Sunday.

C. L. Davis has purchased the W. E. Abbott house on High St. Mr. and Mrs. Jeffry of Chatham, Ontario, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ball.

The Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. C. Bisbee Thursday afternoon, April 2.

H. A. Edwards of Caribou visited his father, Col. C. S. Edwards, over Sunday.

The Columbian Club will meet Saturday with Mrs. C. F. Lord at Prospect Inn.

Mrs. Hiram Twitchell suffered a severe paralytic shock last week, but is somewhat better.

Albert Eames of Sebago has been spending a few days at his old home at the base of Mt. Will.

Miss Luella Boothby of Berlin, N. H., was in the village, Monday, to attend Miss Burnham's opening.

The Middle Intervale Circle will meet with Mrs. Joseph Holt Friday evening, April 3. All are invited.

Miss Edith C. Farwell who has been visiting Mrs. Alice Farwell, returned to her home in Gilead Tuesday.

Miss Fannie Brooks who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Howe for a few weeks, went to her home last Monday.

Mrs. N. E. Richardson has returned from Norway where she went to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stearns.

Liberal terms and a permanent situation is offered in the advertisement, "Tree Agents Wanted," in another column.

Mrs. Lizzie Cummings and family who have been living in the village the past winter, have moved back to their farm.

On Friday evening of this week at 7:30, the monthly business meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. will meet with Miss Ruby Clark.

Mrs. O. S. Pillsbury and daughter Grace who have been visiting friends in town for the past few weeks, returned to their home in Saco Monday.

Mrs. Selden Phipps and daughter Marcia of Milan, N. H., who have been visiting Mrs. Phipps' father, Col. C. S. Edwards, returned to their home, Tuesday morning.

The many friends of Mrs. B. W. Kimball will be pleased to know that she has so far regained her health as to be able to be out to the Christian Endeavor meeting on Sunday.

Any one desiring an excellent small farm just outside of a bustling city will notice the particulars in "Farm for Sale" in the Want Column inquire at the News office. This is indeed an excellent opportunity for any one desiring such a place.

"Sailor Jean" is making a tour on foot and pushing his "Trolleyette" to every State capital in the United States, a distance of 22,000 miles. He expects to make the trip in three and one-half years, at the conclusion of which he will write a book entitled, "The Adventures of Sailor Jean." He is making his expenses by selling photos of himself and souvenir postal cards. He will be in Bethel on Monday, April 6.

Any interested in a good business education and who are so situated that it is not convenient for them to leave their homes to take a course at any of Maine's Business Colleges may be interested in the Bliss system of home study which is being carried on by the Bliss Business College of Lewiston. Mr. O. D. Bliss of this college is one of Maine's bright, hustling, up-to-date, educational men. What he attempts goes and goes right, and any of our readers who are looking for a business education will do well to communicate with him. See his advertisement in another column of this issue.

E. S. Kilborn is in Boston this week.

Ceylon Rowe is in Boston purchasing summer goods.

E. C. Bowler was in Augusta last Friday and Saturday.

Guy Barker is home from Bates College for a ten days' vacation.

Miss Margaret McGraw of Hastings is visiting Miss Sadie Mason. S. W. Potter of West Bethel was in the village Tuesday, on business. F. B. Howe and son John of East Bethel were in the village last Saturday.

Miss Susie Hutchins who has been in Boston for several weeks, returned home last Friday.

Mrs. Cyrene Littlehale who has spent the winter at North West Bethel, returned home last Wednesday.

The Bethel Library Association will hold another game party at Prospect Inn next Thursday evening. A good attendance is desired.

At the Congregational church next Sunday morning, the Communion of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated, and several will be taken into the church membership. It is especially desired that, so far as possible, all resident members shall be present.

Millinery Opening.

Miss Burnham who has lately associated herself in the millinery business with the Misses Wood and Brann of Lewiston, held her opening Monday and Tuesday of this week. The weather clerk sent his prettiest and brightest weather for the opening, consequently the ladies were bustling along the streets and all going one way—towards the opening. A few minutes were not enough for a tarry there, but minutes turned to half hours and half hours to whole ones and still they tarried to admire the dainty creations; pretty and dainty indeed are the hats, and would make a plain face, if there were any in Bethel, pretty and attractive, and when the right hat is selected and fitted by an up-to-date milliner as Miss Brann is proving herself to be, the effect is very pleasing.

Time was and not so very long ago, either when it mattered not much about the back of a hat; now the back is almost the most important part. Perhaps this has come about because as George Eliot says in one of her novels, "If you want a man to take an interest in you, turn your back on him." But no matter what the cause this fact remains, you must remember the back and the sides, too, as well as the front. Hats this spring, are low and flat and the dressy affairs have a strong tendency to rise high on the side. Flower hats are also a feature, and one of the most attractive at this opening was of blue forget-me-nots with natural foliage. Our ladies are warned over and over not to select a hat too old in make up, and the black and white is now only for those who have passed a milestone beyond middle age. Feathers are to be tabooed this season and only occasionally a wing is used; the flowers, instead of buds and half opened blossoms, as heretofore, are seen in just the other side of full bloom. These few hints were gathered at this display of spring millinery; in a few days or weeks as occasion demands, other goods will be displayed and the village ladies may assure themselves that only up-to-date goods may be found at this popular store at all times.

A Coming Entertainment.

Upon Wednesday evening April 8, there will be an entertainment at Garland chapel under the auspices of the Ladies' Club and under the personal direction of Mrs. J. G. Gehring. The program will be made up of monologues, society scenes, an illustrated poem, Living Pictures, and by special request Miss Weed, Miss Narten, Messrs. Megrew, Farnsworth and Narton will repeat the "Stage Struck Girl." Miss Goudy and Mr. Weed will contribute musical selections. Tickets, 20 cents.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Ladies gauze vests from 10c. to 25c. at Miss Stearns'.

Millinery Opening at L. M. Stearns' April 4, 6, 7.

Ira C. Jordan will pay 55c. per bushel for Bebron and Green Mountain Potatoes from April 2, to 7th. Good Stock.

Now is the time to test the value of the International Stock Food. Be one of the six and get the 25c. package of poultry food.

50c. is worth saving. See elsewhere in this issue.

A new lot of hats will be received by Miss Burnham the last of this week.

See the Easter display of Millinery at Miss Burnham's, April 11. Send 50c. to the News office and get a copy of the Bible Readings.

A full line of shelf papers and decorated crepe paper at Miss L. C. Hall's. The crepe paper is much used for shades, mantle drapes and other decorative purposes.

Second Library Party.

Prime's Crop Bureau says: "We are getting fairly good March weather. Temperature is a little lower, with indications of rain or snow."

Now Prime's forecast seems to apply very well to Bethel, and as the season is rapidly advancing and the "crop" of social functions must necessarily soon close, the Trustees of the Library Association have resolved to extend their hospitality once more before the season fully closes. Mr. C. F. Lord, proprietor of Prospect Inn, has very generously tendered the use of the "Inn" to the Trustees, and they take great pleasure in accepting his most gracious offer. The game party of February 19, was pleasantly received and in spite of Old Boreas' uproarious behavior, was wonderfully well patronized.

The Trustees, appreciating this fact, take pleasure in presenting their compliments to all the friends of the Association and inviting them to a social evening at Prospect Inn, April 2, at 7:30 o'clock. (Do not forget the date, through your embarrassment of being "April fooled" the day before.) As usual there will be games of all kinds, and probably a short program preceding the games. The usual admission fee of 25 cents will be asked at the door. Remember, this week Thursday at Prospect Inn, and the Trustees will not postpone for "rain or snow," but trust that "Old Prob" will make good calculations before sending out his forecast.

A. M. F.

McKinley National Memorial.

Postmaster J. C. Billings has received from the McKinley National Memorial Association a limited supply of the certificates which have been prepared for distribution to contributors to the monument fund as souvenirs of their participation in that great enterprise. The certificate is a beautiful work of art on which is given an excellent reproduction of Mrs. McKinley's favorite likeness of her husband, together with a picture of the McKinley home in Canton and of the White House. The wording below the illustrations is as follows: "This certifies that has contributed to the fund for the erection of the national memorial at Canton, Ohio, in honor of William McKinley." The workmanship and artistic effects are of the very highest order, the great house of Tiffany & Co., New York, being the designers and manufacturers. The supply in the hands of Postmaster J. C. Billings is a portion of the first edition of the certificates and is sent here to enable those who have not as yet contributed to do so. Parties who have already identified themselves with the movement will receive souvenirs direct from the office of the association or through local committees.

25 New Go-Carts.

The kind that run easy, adjust easy—easy to handle and easy to buy. The prices are fair, in fact the fairest in Lewiston today. Our first showing went with a rush, these new models will move swiftly off our floor. Exceptional values at such reasonable prices sure to find favor. Come and select one. We know we can please you. You won't be bothering us if you come only "to look." Catalogue sent on request.

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We, the undersigned carpenters of Bethel hereby agree that on and after April 1, 1903, nine hours shall constitute a day's work for ourselves and our employees, and that the rates to be charged for a day's work shall remain as at the present ten hour day.

S. I. French, H. C. Andrews, Chas. H. Douglass, John N. Swan, Albion L. Holt, E. Merrill, Ward E. Swan, Hiram Twitchell, Fred I. Clark, Ahira Smith, Gilbert Tuell.

Bethel, Maine, March 24, 1903.

The Mason Manufacturing Company.

We are always interested to learn of the business adventures of any of our former Bethel citizens, and it, therefore, seems fitting that we record the doings of Leslie L. Mason of Portland who has always lived in Bethel until within the last five years when he went to Portland to engage in a more extended business along his line than could be carried on in Bethel. Mr. Mason has mounted the ladder step by step until he has attained a prominent place among the leading business men of Maine. Mr. Mason has recently organized the Mason Manufacturing Company at So. Paris with John A. Scott as President and Manager, and Mr. Mason as Secretary and Treasurer. The goods which they manufacture consist of toys and novelties, principally dolls' furniture, chairs, cradles, swings, comb trays, etc. Most of the articles retail at 5c., although to watch the manufacture of them one can but wonder how they can be made at this price. The stock is saved out in the basement of the factory, then goes to the second floor where the different parts are bored and put together into the complete article. The completed goods go down to the first floor where they are painted in different colors by dipping in a tank and when dry are packed for shipment. About fifteen hands are now employed but this number will be doubled as soon as necessary arrangements are made to work them to an advantage. We wish Mr. Mason success in his new undertaking and doubt not but that the same will be realized by him.

BORN.

In West Bethel, Mar. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Mills, a daughter. (8½ pounds.) Dorothy Cecile.

Letter to Clarence Barker.

West Bethel, Maine. Dear Sir: You are interested in the prosperity of your town, and every dollar anybody saves adds to the wealth of the place.

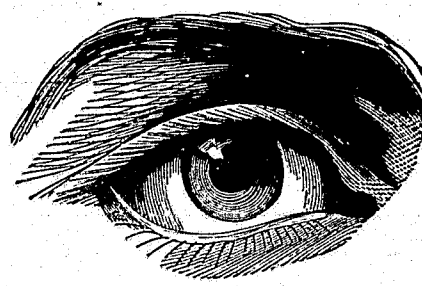
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Paint is saved; labor is saved; and the "painting nuisance" is made half as frequent.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

Time Table in Effect Dec. 7, 1902.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	1.45	6.50
Gorham,	4.00	8.30
Gilead,	...	8.33
West Bethel,	...	8.47
BETHEL, arrive,	4.45	8.53
Lockes Mills,	...	9.00
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.30
South Paris,	5.38	9.30
Lewiston,	6.40	10.30
Portland, arrive,	7.30	11.15
Boston, via rail,	A. M.	P. M.
Boston, via boat,	12.45	4.10

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	3.15	1.30
Lewiston,	9.00	2.30
South Paris,	10.00	3.38
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.10
Lockes Mills,	10.35	4.18
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.32
West Bethel,	10.54	4.42
Gilead,	11.05	4.54
Gorham,	11.33	5.40
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50
Montreal,	6.50	7.00
Toronto,	7.15	7.40
Chicago,	8.45	7.20

The train leaving Bethel at 4.45 A. M., East and 9.37 P. M., West, runs every day; all others every day except Sunday. Sunday paper train leaves Portland at 7.30 A. M., arriving at Bethel 10.12 A. M., and at Berlin 11.15 A. M. Returning leave Berlin at 4.00 P. M., Bethel, 5.05 P. M.

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Butte, Mont.,	...
Calgary, Alberta,	\$51 35
Spokane, Wash.,	\$48 85
Seattle, Wash.,	\$51 35
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MASTER and SLAVE

By... T. H. THORPE

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CHAPTER XVII.
THE VIRGIN WIDOW.

It is the curse of many to desire most those things they have least courage to attempt. Innumerable Caesars are chained to plows by dread of unseen hordes of Gauls; endless rows of would-be Rothschilds stand behind counters measuring tape, not daring to leap over into the fluctuating sea of values, and Mirabeaus sit mute at every country crossroads lest the world should hiss. A brave act, a bold venture, an earnest word might win the prize, but the arm hangs, the project lags, the lips are dumb in the presence of a possible negation. To such what might be ever holds more terrors than what is.

And thus the native hue of resolution Is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought, And enterprises of great pith and moment, With this regard, their currents turn awry And lose the name of action.

Evariste Oakfell was thus affected. He had rushed into dissolute ways to profit by the evil talents of his brother's foe. He had recklessly embarked in Quillebert's perilous and piratical commerce to enrich himself. He had ruthlessly spurned the love of a lion hearted woman to be untrammelled in the pursuit of a shrinking maiden. Without compunction he had traded with a villain for the proofs of a guardian's infidelity to his trust in order to coerce the submission of the ward. Unflinchingly he had suppressed the true will of his brother and propounded a forgery to render defenseless her whom that brother had loved and sought to protect.

All these had he dared and done and had experienced no trepidation or sting of conscience. But that to which they had reference only, that to which they were designed as mere aids, appalled him. His mind by day and night reveled in imaginings of joyous life with Estelle his wedded wife. A hundred times he set forth determined to make his bliss assured and returned with void yearnings and nothing more. He dared not hear refusal from her pale lips. Could he brave that the course of cruel duress and compulsion he had prepared would be easy, swift, and grateful to his temper. But his vanity shrank from her rejection. He sought to convince himself that she would not, could not, say the dreaded word, and yet he knew she had loved Horace and feared she would be loyal to that love. Though armed with the instrumentalities for forcing her consent, he was unable to expel the unquieting belief that the frail, gentle girl was in character such as Carlyle describes his wife, "In her bright career she had more sorrows than are common, but also a soft invincibility, a clearness of discernment, a noble loyalty of heart, which are rare."

Impatient, fretting, chafing at his timorousness, he nurtured his design upon Estelle—it was destitute of the tenderness and generous warmth of love—until it became a mania. Yet he lingered, held back, deferred the test of his fate, not noting the flight of time. The dirge of the Confederacy was sung at Appomattox, and still he halted.

But another spirit more masterful than his rebelled against this procrastination.

"Do you know the war is ended?" said Quillebert, appearing at "L'Esperance" for the first time during his residence in the parish.

"Yes," Evariste replied uninterestedly. "Then the period has come when I must wind up my affairs here and go back to France, for a time at least, if not permanently," Quillebert continued. "Some of my Christian neighbors are zealous to have the United States authorities pry into my business. My absence will not facilitate them."

"Well, Constant, how can I speed you?"

"Settle our business first. I owe you \$8,000 on the last cotton sales. Which do you prefer, the money or the absolute transfer of those two Latiolais papers?"

"You said you would give me those papers."

"I said I would put them at your service free of charge, but you have never called on me for them, and I have no assurance you will ever use them for the purpose which induced my promise. That brings us to the second thing you must do to speed my departure."

"What is that?"

"Marry the Latiolais girl."

"What bearing has that upon your staying or going?"

"This—I have made up my mind that Laure must go with me."

"As your wife?" Inquired Evariste, aroused.

"Not at first; later, perhaps," replied Quillebert. "But she knows too much about my business to be left here."

"It must be brought to a finish now."

"I am not quite prepared!"—Evariste began. "As well prepared as you would be a year hence," Quillebert interrupted peremptorily. "Take care! This is vital to me. I have no time to be wasted by your chicken heartedness or to devote to arguments. Few words are needed. If you will pledge me to marry Estelle Latiolais before the expiration of 60 days, I will give you the papers of old Leonidas now and pay you the \$8,000 the day after the marriage. If you fail, I will go to France alone, leaving



"Constant! You will not do that!"

Laure Luneau here with a full history of the olographic will." Quillebert's face grew hard and cruel. His enunciation of this threat was like the click of the cocking of a rifle.

"God above us, Constant!" exclaimed Evariste, trembling violently. "You will not do that?"

"I certainly will," Quillebert said savagely. "She will not be believed. The original was destroyed," said Evariste in desperation.

"Perhaps. Nevertheless, she could make great use of the story," Quillebert replied, with a vicious nod.

The torture inflicted upon him by this menace and the prospect it opened before him appeared to deprive Evariste of the power of speech. With terror depicted in his face he stared at his tormentor until the latter stirred him, saying:

"Well?"

"I accept your proposition," he said faintly. "Within 60 days Estelle Latiolais shall be my wife."

"Hone!" grunted Quillebert. "Set about it at once."

"I will begin tomorrow."

"Good!" Quillebert rose. Reaching the door, he stopped and said: "An odd thing has occurred. My little pistol, the one I kept under my pillow at night and in the armor during the day, has disappeared."

"Whom do you suspect?" Evariste asked, forcing a show of interest.

"I do not suspect any one yet. Laure is the only other person who knew where the weapon was. But I will discover the thief," said Quillebert confidently, and, mounting his horse, he rode away.

Evariste returned to his room to brood over the particulars of this most disturbing interview. The importance which Laure had assumed as a factor in his life startled him as he now realized it. The mention of her name in connection with the missing pistol caused him an uneasiness, too, he could not shake off. Her passion, protestations, warnings and prophecies presented her to his harassed thoughts as an impediment to his purpose, inexorable and mysterious.

The self denials imposed on the people by the conditions of civil war he had escaped through means of the contraband trade so successfully prosecuted by the genius of Quillebert. From France he stocked his larder and buffet; from Paris he supplied his wardrobe. Hence, when, after a night of feverish unrest, he set out in quest of his bride he was arrayed, primed and perfumed as became a gallant of the boulevards, offensively incongruous to the neighbors clad in homespun, the broken fences and grass grown fields he passed on the dusty bayou road.

There was unrest, too, at the Latiolais home. Age, dissipation, hypochondria and remorse were hastening the grandfather to wreck and miserable death. Night after night he walked his room with shivering step, sleepless and bemoaning his impotence to recoup his own and Estelle's estates or conceal the unworthy methods by which he had incurred them to gratify his low appetites. Her written authority to mortgage for maintenance, unquestioningly conferred on his advice, he had meekly used to protect his gambling debts and bills for rum and morphine, leaving the legitimate accounts unliquidated, unsecured and bearing ruinous interest. His perjury would become known to Estelle and the world at his death, now fast approaching; his memory would be execrated by all honest men; his grandchild would inherit only poverty and his disgrace. The sole escape lay in her preceding him to the grave; his only hope was to

die before the stroke. These goading, unrelenting thoughts banished sleep; distress gave free current to his tears, whether alone or in the presence of Estelle; the coma of opium was his refuge.

When Odette announced Evariste, Estelle, tenderly ministering to the venerable sufferer, was on the point of leading him to stroll in the garden among flowers she herself had planted, nursed and reared into loveliness. At the name of the visitor a tremor passed over the wasted frame of the old man, but he looked beseechingly at his companion and said:

"Go to him, child, and receive him pleasantly. He has been our very solicitous friend. Do not keep him waiting. Odette will assist me into the house when I become fatigued."

She left him with Odette and proceeded to her parlor.

She was gowned in simple white. A deep collar about her neck was clasped by a medallion portrait of her mother in miniature. The pale brow deepened the hue of her soft brown hair. The eyes of dark hazel, large and liquid, the small mouth of perfect curves and the finely molded chin gave a beauty to her face which was eloquent of affection, truth and patience—the beauty which subdues by its gentleness, compels by its sweetness, the beauty which refines prosperity and hallows affliction.

"It is kind of you to call, my friend, for our house is sadly in need of cheer," she said, greeting Evariste.

"No misfortune has come to you, I hope," he replied, seeking, yet dreading, a suggestion for the declaration he was resolved to make. "You have not been ill?"

"No; I must not fall sick, for there would then be no one to nurse my poor grandfather."

"Is he not as usual?"

"Much worse than usual. I am sorely distressed over his state. He is rapidly failing. Sleep and appetite are denied him. He is grieving over some imaginary or real trouble which he keeps secret to himself. Oh, why could not this good old gentleman be rescued from that wicked man Quillebert?"

"Mademoiselle, I labored for that sincerely."

"I believe you; indeed, I believe you. It was not to complain of you that I spoke. It was only to bewail the hard fate. I fear it is now too late."

"How too late?" asked Evariste in a tone of concern.

"I do not think my grandfather will live through the summer. I am sure he will not unless he can be relieved of the mental anxiety that is so fast consuming his strength." Estelle's eyes began to well over as she made this gloomy prediction.

"Mademoiselle, what would you do, what would you give to cure M. Latiolais and make him what he was ten years ago?" Evariste's nervousness became apparent as he thus suddenly approached the crisis.

"Ah, le bon Dieu!" she exclaimed. "I am very weak, and I am very poor, but there is no task I would not undertake, nothing of mine I would not give! But, alas, I am powerless to cure or restore him."

"No, you are not powerless. You have the cure."

"I?" she said, astonished. "Surely you are jesting, monsieur. But it is a strange subject for merriment."

"Mademoiselle, it is a subject upon which I could not jest if I would," Evariste protested, with warmth. "I re-



"Be my wife," he exclaimed hotly, peat seriously that you possess your grandfather's cure. Will you give him the benefit of it?"

"I love my grandfather so that I would willingly die to save him. But what is this cure, monsieur? How can I restore him? Your words mystify me."

"And yet they are simple and easily understood," replied Evariste. "Listen, mademoiselle. I perfectly comprehend the troubles which oppress M. Latiolais and threaten his health. He has not the talent for business and has not exercised due care in his affairs. The consequence is that he now finds himself indebted beyond his means of payment and fears he has involved your interests also. Having the sensitiveness of a gentleman, this condition preys upon his mind. His long addiction to drink and drugs has unfitted him to bear the strain. He is shortening his life by silent, corroding grief."

"If you have correctly stated the case, monsieur, how can I save the poor dear sufferer?" Estelle asked, terrified.

"Will you, if you can?" demanded Evariste.

"You need not ask that question," she replied.

"Then it rests with you, Estelle. Be my wife and redeem your grandfather," said he, fiercely springing the trap.

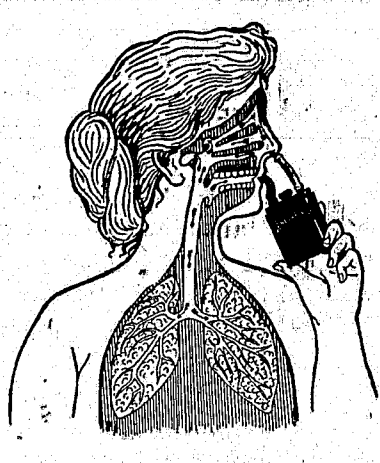
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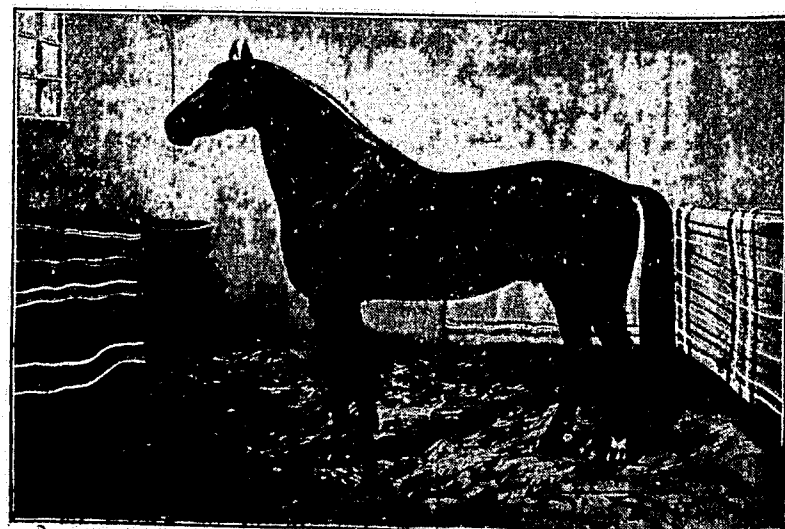
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Ora Wilkes, 4 years.	" 2:11, " 10,575	Sable Nut, 2 years.	" 2:22, " 1,150
Sable, 2 years.	" 2:27, " 950	Sable Dale, 2 years.	" 2:21, " 1,250
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1903.

The Seventy-first Legislature.

The time pieces which spoke correctly announced the hour at 3.35 last Sunday morning when the Seventy-first Legislature took its recess until September 1, although the clocks in the Senate Chamber and in the House which had been true to their task for three long months pointed to the midnight hour. This was no fault of the clocks, however, as they reached that hour several times during the semi-mock sessions which were held during the night and were as many times pushed back by some one's umbrella, to try again. There are several funny things to record in connection with the Seventy-first Legislature as there are, indeed, in connection with all Legislatures, but some of the funniest came into the last hours, not in real mock session but rather in what might be termed block session. Everything, however, was finally fixed up very much to the satisfaction of the members except the bill which carried with it \$40,000 for the State's representation at the St. Louis Exposition, and the one which provided for an increase in the public school fund. Each of these bills will be taken up and disposed of in September. It was amusing indeed to attempt to trace the former of these two bills during the last day or two, and especially the last few hours of the session. It was a case of "now you have it and now you don't have it." One hour it was passed, the next it was killed and this alternating went on to such an extent that the members themselves were hardly able to tell at any time where it was at.

No Legislature escapes criticism however able and sincere are its members. The one thing that the Seventy-first has been criticised for perhaps more than another, is its expenditures, and it seems that if there has been any extravagance along this line that it is due largely to some of the rules under which the bodies have operated, or rather their failure to stand by the rules which they adopted. For example, it is provided that all bills or resolves which carried appropriations with them should be referred to the Financial Committee before receiving enactment, which committee should keep account of the various appropriations and shave down as became necessary. This would seem all right and proper if it had been carried out, but the result was, that when some one's pet measure came back from the Financial Committee with a few hundred or a few thousand sliced off, the champions of the measure went into the air at once, the traces were kicked over, and the efforts of the committee became in this way practically fruitless. Good sensible rules are all right but they become useless when they are overruled every time they step on the toes of some one's pet measure.

On the other hand, however, it is fair to say concerning the Seventy-first Legislature that it was made up of able men, true to the interest of the State and with no less a motive than to serve those interests to the very best of their ability. They have doubtless acted conscientiously in their judgments and if they have seemed to appropriate more money along some lines than seems necessary they have doubtless done it honestly and sincerely and we question not, but wisely.

How Pres. Roosevelt Lives and Works

The young men of the country will be entitled some time to know even more than they have as yet been told about the way in which President Roosevelt accomplishes so much and yet keeps in prime order. His physical constitution was, of course, built up, as everybody knows, years ago by systematic exercise and much outdoor life. His mental vigor would seem to have been acquired by a somewhat analogous method. The President does not flinch from the task in hand. He has schooled himself to do the day's work as it comes. He has acquired to a marvelous degree the power of concentration and the habit of decisiveness. He arranges his day well, is very abstemious in eating and drinking, does not allow himself to be cheated out of a fair amount of exercise, does not rely in the least upon stimulants or tobacco, and, perhaps above all, never tries to surpass himself or to expend his reserve strength in the achievement of something exceptional. With matters of colossal importance to attend to, he simply does his best as he goes along, deals with every problem that arises in a simple, direct, and natural way, and thus finds the day sufficient unto itself. He borrows no trouble, sleeps soundly, and meets the morrow refreshed and with full courage.

Bible Readings.

There has recently been published by the News Publishing Company a little book entitled "Bible Readings." This book was selected and arranged by Principal F. E. Hanscom and is designed to fill a long felt need by the teachers of our public schools for a collection of extracts from the Bible, suitable for use in the opening exercises of schools. Our aim has been to supply a collection of passages, so arranged as to be most helpful to those overworked teachers who have not always the time at their disposal to make suitable selections for daily readings.

Only such passages have been selected as to best emphasize the great moral lessons, the purity and sublimity of the Word of God; and it is believed that nothing will be found in the collection unsuitable for use or open to objection from any point of view. The book contains one hundred and eighteen pages and has seventy-one selections together with the Lord's Prayer, Apostles' Creed, Ten Commandments, etc. Each selection is designed for one exercise and each alternate verse is printed in dark faced type. The books are printed on heavy book stock, are bound in a pretty cloth binding with gold stamped backs and marble edges and make a very attractive and convenient work. They are not only designed for school use but also for church and Sunday school work.

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An Unsolicited Testimonial.

Every minister is so frequently asked for a recommendation of some book hard to commend, that it is a pleasure to speak a good word for that which appeals to one's sympathy and judgment. I have examined the book of Bible Readings compiled by Principal Hanscom and issued by the News Publishing Company, and am so pleased with it that I want (without any suggestion from either compiler or publisher) to say a word in its praise. The arrangement of these readings is most admirable, presenting each one under a discriminating and practical topic. The Scriptures chosen are such as will appeal to the student and be a stimulus to wholesome thought and faithful effort through the day. The plan of having a motto verse, printed in italics, at the end of each reading, is a happy thought, and as suggested in the Preface it would be well to have the school commit to memory this verse of the day's lesson.

The word of God is a power for righteousness, and it is very fortunate, when in this practical way, without cant or sectarian bias, it may be brought home to the mind and heart of our youth. I would congratulate Prof. Hanscom on his good work, and I predict for this

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CHARLES N. GLEASON.

Report comes from Bangor that the rum sellers of that city are suffering a very bad attack of the blues, all because two attempts to nullify the prohibition law, which they claim does not prohibit, has been fruitless during the past winter. The high hopes which they had for resubmission some months ago, were smashed into smithereens; upon the heels of this came a bill to give the juries the right to qualify sentences in trials of misdemeanor, or to give it a more liberal interpretation, to give the juries the right to impose fines on the liquor seller in place of the jail sentences which the court has promised the liquor dealers on their next offence. Their good money was poured freely into this last bill as into the first one, and the way the bill was disposed of would naturally bring on the blues with which they seem to be afflicted at the present time. It has been said that the Bangor dealers are all going out of business; it is also stated on good authority that they are all replenishing their stock and intend to put up one good bluff and try to run the gauntlet and escape the jail sentence at the August term of court. We doubt if the Supreme Court can be bluffed out of its course. Time will tell, however, and in the meantime we will hope for the best.

The President starts West to-day and hopes to secure, in the wilds of the Yellowstone Park, an absolute respite from all official cares and worries. He will take newspapermen on his special train but has requested that when he enters the park they remain outside and permit him the two weeks' undisturbed and unwatched vacation of which he feels himself in need. The proposed trip is a far reaching one. From the Yellowstone, Mr. Roosevelt will return to Saint Louis and be present at the dedicatory exercises of the Saint Louis Exposition and will then go to the Pacific coast practically the entire length of which he will traverse and on Memorial day expects to deliver an address at Cheyenne, Wyoming. From there he will journey towards Washington making numerous stops and reaching there on June 5th.

One of the Boston papers which is ever and always on the alert to give prohibition a black eye whenever the ghost of a chance presents itself, recently said in an editorial: "The fishing season is open in Vermont. Hereafter it will not be as hard to get the necessary bait." This indeed is the whole long and short of it. However much the opponents of prohibition may claim to be temperance men out and out and assert that their sole object in wanting to do away with the prohibition force is for a more healthy temperance law; yet when they forget themselves and speak from the heart they are pretty sure to reveal their true object. The gate has been opened in Vermont and the liquor element is taking its turn to rejoice.

How to Tell a Good Lobster.

The live lobster always curls up the minute it strikes boiling water, and it maintains that contracted form after being boiled. If a lobster is straight and soft after boiling, it is not in a good condition.

STATE NEWS.

Henry Carter of Harrington, 85 years of age, besides performing all of the other work around his home, cutting wood in the woods, etc., has, this winter, sawed thirty-one cords of fire wood and split the larger part of it.

The Coroner's jury decided in the verdict made public in the Brewer tragedy that Wm. Deering died from shot fired by his own wife. Mrs. Deering has been confined to her bed since the shooting as she has been the greater part of the time for three months, owing to a cancerous growth. It is thought she can live but a few weeks.

Sheriff Cummings of Androscoggin county has ordered the U-No beer joints with lunch rooms combined to sell nothing between the hours of twelve Saturday night and twelve Sunday night, save food, coffee or tea. The proprietors of these places are not allowed to sell a bottle of ginger ale or a glass of Moxie on Sunday.

Mayor Hyde of Bath makes the suggestion of a house of correction in connection with the poor house. He shows that there are some 450 commitments to Auburn jail every year, costing about \$8 each, exclusive of board. Not only could the city save hundreds of dollars by keeping these prisoners or a part of them at home, but the harder work that some of the present habitual residents of the Auburn institution would have to do would make it less agreeable serving sentences.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American woman, who was convicted at Liverpool in 1889 on the charge of poisoning her husband, James Maybrick, at Aigburth, by arsenic, and whose sentence of death was commuted to penal servitude for life will be released in 1904. The announcement comes from the home office which now authorizes her Washington lawyers to use the fact of her release next year as a reason for securing the postponement of the trial of the law suits bearing on the prisoner's interest in lands in Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia, until she is able to personally testify.

Kennebec Journal: Some time ago there was a decision by the Maine courts that women could not be justice of the peace in this State. Women, however, have been authorized by a commission from the governor to administer oaths, acknowledge deeds and solemnize marriages which gave them nearly all the powers of justices of the peace, except that their term was for only four years and their jurisdiction only within the county of residence. The present legislature has passed a law extending the term of women so appointed to seven years and giving them the authority to act in all counties of the State. This gives them practically all the privileges and powers of justices of the peace without having the name. The law was signed by Gov. Hill, Mar. 18, and on the same day Miss Eva L. Shorey, the stenographer in the executive department, was given the first commission to be issued under this law. It was Miss Shorey, moreover, who drew the bill and secured its presentation in the legislature where it became a law without any opposition.

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Uncollected Premiums,	62,030 00
Gross Assets,	\$595,731 45
Admitted Assets,	\$457,731 45
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.	
Not unpaid Losses,	\$ 6,946 82
Unearned Premiums,	239,012 55
All other Liabilities,	8,972 23
Total,	\$246,031 60
Cash Capital,	\$200,000 00
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Cash in Office and Bank,	25,615 64
Agents' Balances,	35,361 36
Interest and Rents,	3,440 33
All other assets,	241 68
Gross Assets,	\$268,749 49
Admitted Assets,	\$188,749 49
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.	
Not unpaid losses,	\$33,338 13
Unearned premiums,	151,775 39
All other liabilities,	\$5,635 93
Total,	\$190,749 51
Cash Capital,	\$200,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$9,250 49
Total liabilities and surplus,	\$190,749 49

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The Lenten season is near a close.
Eggs gradually decline in price.
The roads are fast becoming dry.
March has given us some May weather.

Harry N. Mills is working in the mill.

Miss Ethel L. Allen is again employed in the hotel.

Hay is said to be quite plenty, and stock in fine condition.

Charles Dennison is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Dennison.

Geo. Luxton who has been working in Newry through the winter, returned home last week.

The ferry-boat has been repaired and is now ready for the traveling public, but we have not learned the ferryman's name.

The Commercial House under the able management of James Gupitil, is well patronized.

Miss Rosa C. Bean went to Portland, Saturday, to visit her sister, Mrs. Mabel Davis, and returned Sunday evening.

Ambrose Farnum has finished work for A. J. Haskell and returned to his home in North Norway last week.

Hastings Brothers' large drive of pulp wood on Pleasant river moves slowly on account of low water and a warm rain storm is much needed.

NORWAY.

Mrs. Alma Pendexter Hayden and daughter Nellie are visiting at Mrs. Clara Hayden's.

Mrs. Geo. P. Locke and daughters of Portland spent last week at Geo. W. Locke's.

Rev. Caroline E. Angell supplied the pulpit of the Universalist church in Caribou last Sunday and will occupy it again April 5. The pulpit here is supplied by Rev. Mr. Davis of Deering.

Hibbard Aldrich and L. V. Weed have returned from Bryant Pond where they have been at work through the winter in the G. T. R. quarry getting out stone for the Portland railway station.

Mrs. John L. Horne is making an effort to purchase the John L. Horne house on Main street for an Old Ladies' Home. The plan is for Norway ladies to buy and own the house. A few hundred dollars have been pledged.

Simeon Butler has gone to Camden where he will open a barber shop.

Dr. H. P. Jones and wife were summoned to Boston last week on account of the illness of a relative.

Jesse Allard and Howard Moulton are to begin to build their cottage on the side of Pike's Hill immediately.

Robert Bickford has finished his surveying in Saskatchewan and gone to southern British Columbia working at railroad surveying.

Sadie Abbott from Sanford and Nellie Abbott from Lewiston visited their sister, Mrs. O. L. Stone, over Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Cobb of Portland recently visited her brother, C. G. Mason, who has been on the sick list for a few days.

Ellsworth Murch has bought the house of A. J. Stearns on Water street now occupied by Jos. Durban.

J. Orin Smith of Presque Isle, son of James Smith of this village, was admitted to practice in the United States Circuit court last week.

Fannie Tee, who has been in the west with her father, Benj. Tee, is expected in Norway soon. She intends to spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Charles W. Dinmore.

GROVER HILL.

Leslie Cummings was the guest of Fred Wheeler Sunday.

Olyde Whitman returned from Dummer, N. H., Saturday, where he went to visit sick relatives last week.

Herbert Ring visited at Greenwood Sunday.

Robert Clough is hauling pulp wood for W. H. Hutchinson.

We learn that Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wheeler have been ill the past week.

ANDOVER.

We have had cloudy, dull weather. Saturday, we had a snow squall and Sunday noon the thermometer was 24 above zero, the lowest temperature for some time.

Pearl Small has manufactured a springboard. The wheels are of the most solid make; this carriage is to be used in carrying the river drivers to and from work.

Misses Helen Morton and Lucretia Henry visited the Falls March 26.

Mr. Whitney Roberts has moved his family from the parsonage to Mr. Fred Barrett's rent.

Mr. Geo. Deswood has gone to the Lakes in the employ of Mr. Wm. Cushman. Miss Lucretia Henry boards with Mrs. Deswood in his absence.

Several of our citizens attended the auction of George Howe's effects at North Rumford on March 28.

At a parish meeting held by the Universalist society on Friday the 27th., committees were appointed for the association and dedication of the church which will take place in June. Committees on entertainment, program and music will look after these details. The date of meeting will be announced later; they will commence the painting of the church March 30.

We are glad to announce that Miss Lillian Sampson has been engaged as teacher of the High school for the coming season. Miss Alice Bedell will teach the Grammar and Miss Bertha Poor the Primary grade. All the schools will commence April 13. Mr. Nathan Akers has been elected superintendent; we are sorry Miss Poor did not feel to take it again as she did faithful work and spared no pains or expense in performing the duties of said office.

Dr. F. E. Leslie has purchased a new horse and engaged the services of Carroll Swett as driver. This indicates an increasing practice.

Mrs. D. W. Barnes has returned from Oxford. Mr. Barnes will remain longer; his health continues to improve.

Mr. Malcome Gregg has returned from Rangely where he has been scaling at John French's camp.

Mr. Owen Lovejoy left for Gorham, N. H., where he will act as clerk on the drive.

Miss Jane Gregg is slowly improving. We hope to see her about soon.

The choir of the Congregational church have commenced rehearsals for Easter. The choir will consist of seven sopranos, two altos, two bases and probably two tenors. We hope to have one or two orchestral instruments.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Foye have returned to their home on Farnum Hill. Mr. Foye has purchased a yoke of oxen for his spring's work. He has sold his interest in the meadow in Roxbury to George Andrews.

There is a great demand for carpenters and paper hangers and the busy housewives are looking after such help.

Mrs. Henry R. Porter is visiting friends in Dover, N. H.

Rev. Mr. Holden has finished a series of very interesting sermons. The first subject was Charity; second, Theme of Apostolic preaching; third, Law of progress by suffering and sacrifice; fourth, Paul's remedy for worldliness and sectarianism. Mr. Holden will occupy the parsonage later in the season.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

The Bates students are at home for a ten days' vacation.

Mr. W. A. Oxnard of Lewiston was at South Paris Sunday.

Wendell Rounds is visited by his friend, Mr. Briggs of Caribou.

Carl Briggs takes the place of Mr. Eaton in the Parisian Male Quartette.

Mrs. Penfold and sons, Ralph and Raymond, are in Gorham, N. H., for a few days' visit.

J. Frank Howland, Esq., of Boston, was at his summer place, Mountain View Farm, last week.

Samuel Plummer of Sweden, father of J. F. Plummer of this place, died at 4 o'clock Saturday night.

Mrs. Alice (Graves), wife of Walter S. Jones of this place, died at the home of her parents in Portland, Wednesday morning, after a long illness with consumption. The remains were brought here Saturday morning for interment in Riverside cemetery. Mrs. Jones leaves a husband and one child.

Preparations are being made to present the operetta "Princess Bonnie" some time in the course of a few weeks. The proceeds will go toward establishing a fund to be used for the purchase of a pipe organ for the new Universalist church. Some of the best known singers of the two villages will take part.

Mrs. J. D. Haynes entertained a party of young lady friends at her home last Friday evening.

The Rebekahs have in preparation a drama, The Cheerful Liar, which they will soon present.

A delegation of the Modern Woodmen visited the camp at Oxford Friday night, and returned in the early morning.

The trustees of the Riverside Cemetery Association have engaged P. E. Wheeler as caretaker of the cemetery for the present year.

Blanchard Stuart is canvassing the two towns to secure members of a Club of the Booklovers' Library. If he is successful in obtaining the required number these places will be established as distributing stations for the library. He is doing well so far.

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NORTH NORWAY.

Woodbury Russell has sold the barn on the R. J. Frost place to F. L. Elliott and is now tearing it down and will put it up for a stable for Mr. Elliott.

Irving Symonds has sold his stand to Russell Bros.

Mrs. Martha Symonds is at work for Mrs. Ed Morse.

Annie Hobbs is at home from Lynn, Mass., also Elfannah Green.

Fred Hunt has gone to live with E. E. Witt.

Oliver Merrill is about moving back home and is to carry the cream the coming season.

School in Chapel district begins March 30, Augusta French teacher.

H. Sawyer is putting the finishing touches on O. N. Cox's new ell, painting, shellacing, varnishing etc.

Notwithstanding the bad traveling, 70 or more attended the Circle at the Center last week. April 8, the Circle will be entertained by Mrs. Lulu Hobbs and Mrs. Alice Watson.

Mrs. F. A. Hunt's ninth child was born March 22. She has six under ten years of age, and three that are eleven, thirteen and fifteen, respectively. President Roosevelt should send her a gold medal, especially as her seventh child is named for him. Mr. Hunt is a letter carrier in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Constipation

Does your head ache? Pain back of your eyes? Bad taste in your mouth? It's your liver! Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation, headache, dyspepsia.

25c. All druggists.

Want your mouthache or beard a beautiful brown or black? Then use the **BUCKINGHAM'S DYE** for the whiskers.

The Motherland of Maine.

To-night across my senses steals
The perfume of the pines,
Oh, sweeter far to homesick hearts
Than draughts of fragrant wines,
Again uplift the sea girl isles,
Where sylvan beauties reign
And dreams of thee come back to me,
O! Motherland of Maine.

Thy glories gleam before my eyes,
As in the olden days,
I see again the labyrinths
Of Casco's lovely bay,
The sea gull's cry rings in my ear,
As o'er the foam he flies,
And memory sets her signal lights,
Along the darkened skies.

There's laughter in the swaying
There's music in the gale, (pines,
Each ship upon the sea to-night,
Is some remembered sail,
And peering through the flying mist,
That holds me in its spell,
I cry "what, oh! Oh! mariner,
The answer is, farwell.

Like phantom ships before the wind,
That to their heavens flee,
While I, a wanderer, must drift
Upon a shoreless sea.
But while the fires of being burn
Within the conscious brain,
My eyes shall seek thy far off coasts
O! Motherland of Maine.

SEVERE ATTACK OF GRIP.

Cured by One Bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"When I had an attack of the grip last winter (the second one) I actually cured myself with one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says Frank W. Perry, Editor of the Enterprise, Snotsville, N. Y. "This is the honest truth. I at times kept from coughing myself to pieces by taking a teaspoonful of this remedy, and when the coughing spell would come on at night I would take a dose and it seemed that in the briefest interval the cough would pass off and I would go to sleep perfectly free from cough and its accompanying pains. To say that the remedy acted as a most agreeable surprise is putting it very mildly. I had no idea that it would or could knock out the grip, simply because I had never tried it for such a purpose, but it did, and it seemed with the second attack of coughing the remedy caused it to not only be of less duration, but the pains were far less severe, and I had not used the contents of one bottle before Mr. Grip had bid me adieu."

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

RUMFORD FALLS.

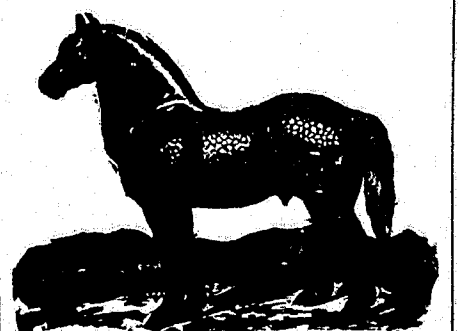
Fred E. Randall and Charles E. Fernald have returned from California in very much improved health.

Last Thursday night an oil lamp in the office of Philip Ash at his stable caused a slight fire, damage amounting to about \$250. The prompt action of the fire company averted a serious conflagration.

Mr. D. J. Russell has moved his family to Brunswick.

Virgin Bros. expect to reopen their dower and handle mill on Congress street in the basement of the old Lennill mill early next week.

AUCTION SALE!
100-HORSES-100



We will sell at Public Auction, Tuesday, April 7th, 1903, at 10 o'clock A. M., at our stables, 100 Horses, consisting of drivers and workers, a lot of nice fresh horses, right from the west; also a lot of horses that have been used in the woods the past winter. These horses will be at our stables, Friday, April 3rd, and will be on sale until day of Auction. We carry a large stock of harness, riding carriages and farm wagons. Sale positive rain or shine.

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Also Fishing Tackle and Base Ball Supplies.

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Well Paid Dress Models.

Two young women of Paris, finely featured and formed, travel around the fashionable resorts of Europe and live at the best hotels. They are always so well dressed that people inquire where they procured their clothing. This is why they are sent abroad, and a French company of dressmakers pays all their expenses. The young women are well behaved and at times are attended by a maid.

Old Nightgowns.

One economical woman has found out that the bodies of old nightgowns, after the yokes are worn out, make good pillowslips for the baby's crib, or may be converted into children's petticoats for daily wear. As all the work can be done on the machine the conversions may be speedily managed.

Cleaning Laces.

Mme. Modjeska, who is the owner of some priceless lace, says lace may be cleaned by laying it out on a paper, covering it with calcined magnesite and then with another paper and putting all between the leaves of a large book for several days. When shaken out, it will be clean and fresh.

Marriage as a Profession.

Marriage for a girl is undoubtedly a profession, and a profession which requires an education. She must recognize how much depends upon her health and the health of those committed to her care; how much depends on her being a careful manageress of her household and of the money put into her hands for use for the welfare of others. Above all, she should be taught that wives and mothers are made, not born, and no girl should attempt to marry without having received some instruction in the science of housekeeping and of making money go as far as it possibly can.

Attractive Kitchens.

A well known woman, who makes the distinction between homekeeping and housekeeping, calls the kitchen the heart of the home and insists that after its simple fashion it should be as attractive as any other room. In this day of cheap wall papers she suggests frequent papering three or four times yearly, greatly preferring the bright variety and cleanliness thus secured to any advantages resulting from the use of paint, which is more expensive to renew and more laborious to keep clean.

GILEAD.

George Robertson of South Paris, was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Yates from Dedham, Mass., recently arrived in town.

Mrs. S. I. Wheeler and little daughter, Lillian, of Gorham, N. H., have been visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Conner and Mrs. Farwell picked pansies from their flower gardens on the 20th of March.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Coffin, Miss Cora Lary and W. C. Newell attended the drama at West Bethel.

Willard and Attie Jewett, also Guy Shorey, were down from Gorham, N. H., last week Tuesday on a brief visit at the home of Josiah and Archie T. Heath and their families.

A butterfly was seen last week at M. F. Connor's residence in our village, and Mr. Connor also saw one at his farm in Shelburne, N. H. They evidently thought summer had come.

Annie Watson of Portland, is staying with her sister in town.

Charles Handy is taking Baker's place in J. W. Bennett's blacksmith shop.

Josie Forbes of Gorham, N. H., was calling on friends in town Monday.

Elmer Newell has moved his family to Gorham, N. H., where he has employment.

Ephraim Wight who is in his 83d year, visited his friends last week. He has saved and split about 18 cords of wood during the winter.

GORHAM N. H.

Mrs. W. C. Morse has gone to Boston for a few weeks' stay.

Mrs. Lafayette Wilson is visiting in East Deering for a few days.

Kenneth Browne of Island Pond, Vt., is a guest of Nelson Twitchell and wife.

Andrew Welsh will occupy S. M. Leavitt's house on Macfarlane St.

Luther Hilborn has returned to the United States naval service, after a short stay at home.

Miss Carrie Burbank has gone to Portland to take a course in Gray's Business college.

Robert Penfold and family will shortly move into C. F. Moore's residence on Macfarlane St.

Miss H. May Wight has returned to Boston to resume her musical studies.

Raymond Casey has gone to Rumford Falls where he has a position in a machine shop.

F. P. Dube, one of the engineers of the Grand Trunk shifting engine, is seriously ill at his home on Promenade St.

M. M. Willis went to Boston last week with a man who is wanted by the navy department, and who was located in this vicinity.

The pulp wood drive on Peabody river is not progressing very rapidly owing to a scarcity of water.

LOCKE MILLS.

A. S. Cole from Albany, has been at W. H. Farnham's for a short visit.

Mrs. John Bean arrived from the Central Maine Hospital in Lewiston, March 24.

Azel and Addison Bryant have gone to Scarborough beach to do some carpentering for Mrs. Sarah Seavey.

Will Seames was down from Hastings a few days last week and went back on the paper train, Sunday.

Dr. B. F. Bradbury was up from Norway Wednesday, called here by the illness of Mrs. Dolly Buck.

Mrs. Florina Estes has moved from A. C. Libby's rent by the railroad crossing to the Ad. Bryant house recently occupied by Oscar Swan and family, who have moved into the house of his brother-in-law, Charles Reed.

The entertainment given by the ladies of the village at the hotel hall on the evening of March 20, is reported as a fine thing. Over \$20 were taken at the door. Here's hoping they will repeat it when the traveling gets better.

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Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

How To Find Out.
Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.
There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail.

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BERLIN, N. H.

A chorus of about sixty High school students under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Holt and Dr. Johnson presented the cantata, "Joan of Arc," at the opera house last week. While the leading parts were taken by outside talent with great success, their efforts would have been futile had it not been for the good work of Berlin's boys and girls, who surprised even those who thought they knew the talent of our young people.

Mrs. Adam Danforth of Island Pond, Vt., is in town visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Ellis.

Mrs. John Fielding of Lynn, Mass., is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. J. Wheeler.

Miss Babe Dion has returned from Salem, Mass., where she has lived for the past two years.

The long pending case of P. W. McHugh against the city in the sum of \$500 for damages to the Island View house, by the bursting of a sewer pipe, has been settled. The sum paid being \$300.

W. H. Chamberlin of Bethlehem, formerly of this city, has purchased the Didier Belland block at Berlin Mills.

On May 1 the telegraph office in the Stahl block will be moved to the office of the Berlin Street railway.

Mr. Weldon, formerly superintendent of the Lauretine Pulp and Paper mills at Grand Mere, P. Q., has accepted a responsible position with the Burgess Sulphite Fibre company here and will assume his new duties at an early date.

Mrs. Anna Addison died suddenly of apoplexy at her home on First Avenue, March 19th.

John E. Benton of Boston, was here last week, returning home Tuesday.

Edmund Sullivan has purchased the Boothby house on Church St.

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Which Foot Walks Faster?
This seems like a queer question, doesn't it? But if you were ever lost in the woods, and after toiling through the brush, over logs and around bramble thickets for a few hours, only to come out at the very spot where you started, you will readily believe that one of your legs is a better walker than the other.

One day a company of boys were playing a curious game. One after another they were blindfolded and then each of them started to see if he could walk from the back porch of a house across a lawn about 50 feet wide and through an open gate. Although they were every one started in the right direction, not a single boy succeeded in reaching the gate.

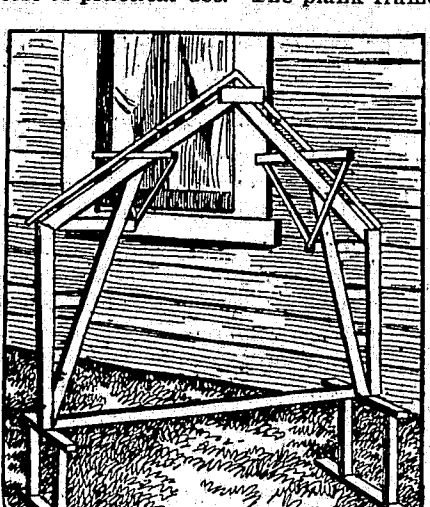
You can all try this game. There's lots of sport in it. If you have no gate to practice on set up two stakes about ten feet apart on a smooth lawn or in a court. Then stand 60 to 75 feet away, and blindfolded, try to walk between them. Try this experiment, and find out which of your feet walks faster.

FARM GARDEN

A PLANK FRAME BARN.

The Plank Frame Has Come to Stay. Mr. Fisher's Model.

The Shawver, Wing, Hickox, Fisher and other plank frames are built upon the same general principles, differing only in some details, as to bracing, supports, etc. They have all stood the test of practical use. The plank frame



INTERIOR VIEW.

has come to stay, says Ohio Farmer, to which Mr. Fisher has furnished two photographs, one showing an interior view and the other showing the inventor sitting upon the model, to show its strength. The model shown was constructed of common plastering lath put together with three-quarter inch wire brads, and it supports several



A TEST OF STRENGTH.

times the weight of a man. Mr. Fisher writes that the stability and economy of this frame have been practically tested and triumphantly demonstrated by several large barns built upon this plan.

A CORNMAKER.

The Kind of Ear That Is Most Productive—A Large Cob Liked.

A perfect, well developed, standard ear, a variety that is capable of making the greatest possible amount of shelled corn per acre, must not be shorter than eight inches in length; the grain must not be less than a half inch in depth of grain—three-quarter inch would be better. We are partial to a large cob—in fact, we do not care how large or how long as the depth of grain is maintained. It is farther around a large cob than a small one, hence there is more room for corn, writes G. H. Turner of Mississippi to Southern Cultivator.

Short ears invariably have deep grains and long ears just as invariably have shallow grains. The ears chosen for seed should be even their entire length and well filled out at both ends and should yield 90 per cent of grain. It is possible to get 100 ears that will shell three bushels; it is possible to get a grain so firm and solid that a measured bushel will weigh upward of sixty pounds.

Weight of Ear and Depth of Grain.
The weight of our ears of corn ranges from one and one-half to two pounds per ear, the depth of grain from a half inch to seven-eighths of an inch in depth, and the grain is always solid enough to weigh upward of fifty-six pounds to the bushel.

While the grain should be solid enough to weigh well it should at the same time be soft enough to be easy of both mastication and digestion; yet not soft enough to rot in the field badly. We have this much to say about seed corn for the reason that maximum yields can never be obtained per acre unless the seed is of the very best.

Preservation of Manure.
The Ohio experiment station considers that it will pay well to give more attention than is done on the average farm to the preservation of barnyard manure, first, by guarding it from the sources of loss which occur in the ordinary open barnyard, and second, by treating it with materials calculated to reduce the losses from escaping ammonia on the one hand and to increase its content of phosphoric acid on the other.

To accomplish this purpose acid phosphate appears to be the material producing the largest and most profitable immediate increase in effectiveness of the manure, but the experiments strongly suggest the possibility that the finely ground phosphatic rock from which acid phosphate is made may be found an economical substitute for the latter by using it as an absorbent in the stables and thus securing an intimate mixture with the manure in its fresh condition.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Lucky Call.

"I don't mind telling you now," said young Dr. Frankly, "that you just called me in at the right time."

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A South Carolina Finding—"What was the verdict that the coroner's jury returned?" "Willful neglect of duty on the part of the deceased. He went out unarmed knowing the other fellow was in town."

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If it would only pull sleds uphill.—Old Hardfax was looking with lowering brow at the crowds of children coasting swiftly down the steep hillside. "Look at the power that's going to waste!" he muttered.

Bodily pain loses its terror if you've a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort.

What Uncle Reuben says.—"I had allus made it my boast dat I was an honest man; but, to tell you de truth, I was nebber left alone for a minit wid anybody's hundred dollars and giben a chance to prove myself a rascal."

The little folks love Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Pleasant to take; perfectly harmless; positive cure for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

Rodrick—"That was a funny comment the Frenchman made on South Dakota." Van Albert—"Indeed!" Rodrick—"Yes, he said there were so many grass widows out there the State looked like an asparagus bed."

"Itching hemorrhoids were the plague of my life. Was almost wild. Doan's Ointment cured me quickly and permanently, after doctors had failed." C. F. Cornwell, Valley Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

Playwright—"That villain in my play doesn't act his part up to the lines. He must wear a look of worry and desperation." Manager—"Oh! don't get excited. I'll fix that. John, go up on the stage and start a rumor that I have skipped with the box-office receipts."

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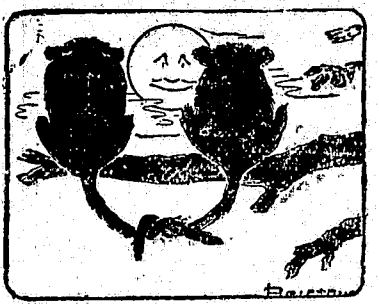
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Assets Dec. 31, 1902.

Stocks and Bonds	\$456,542 63
Cash in office and bank	88,846 34
Agents' Balances	59,793 41
All other assets	343,829 20
Gross assets	\$949,012 37
Deduct items not admitted	6,110 90
Admitted assets	\$597,771 47
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses	\$ 45,045 83
Unearned premiums	206,871 23
Total	\$251,917 06
Deposit capital	200,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	8,506 35
Total liabilities and surplus	\$251,917 06

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The Traders Ins. Co. OF CHICAGO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1902.

Real Estate	\$ 31,000 00
Mortgage Loans	102,000 00
Collateral Loans	12,000 00
Stocks and Bonds	2,137,010 40
Cash in Office and Bank	200,897 23
Unpaid Premiums	8,480 21
Agents' Balances	178,119 00
Interest and Rents	8,480 21
Uncollected Premiums	15,918 52
All other assets	82,099,977 10
Deduct items not admitted	3,202 02
Admitted Assets	\$2,600,000 11
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses	\$ 113,185 38
Unearned Premiums	90,877 82
All other liabilities	51,115,124 31
Total	\$113,185,124 31
Cash Capital	1,000,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	1,000,000 00
Total liabilities and surplus	\$113,185,124 31

YOUNG PEOPLE.

If I Were You.

EDWARD WILLIAM DUTOCHER.

I wouldn't think about distress,
If I were you;
I wouldn't even once confess
To ever feeling blue;
But when the sun is well disposed
To shine upon our friends and foes;
I'd be content with even less,
If I were you.

If I were you I wouldn't care
How fortune went;
Just do your best—you'll have a share
Of sweet content,
If only you will have the sense
To put your trust in Providence,
And take what's sent!

Just let it rain, or snow or shine;
'Twill bring no gain
To blame misfortune, or repine;
The longest lane
Will end sometime, and every day
Roses will bloom along the way,
Because of rain.

Then sing your songs; cry if you must,
But keep in view
The health, soul-inspiring trust
That's always due

To them that strive to live above
All earthly things—excepting love;
I'd let all other treasures rust,
If I were you!

An Indian Conspiracy.

The peaceful autumn of 1763 was gradually disappearing into winter, and the little garrison of Weatherford on the Ecores river had completed its preparations for the dreary, cold months that were to follow. Ammunition and food had been stored within the fort, and Major Marvin congratulated himself that Pontiac had so readily accepted their terms of peace.

"It only takes a little firmness with those people," said he. "Those French fools would give their last basket of corn to plead for rights, instead of asserting them. But I guess they won't forget Detroit in a hurry," and taking a long Indian pipe from the shelf, he sauntered through the gate of the fort, across the open field, and was lost to view in the brush which bordered the river.

About ten miles farther up stream an entirely different scene was taking place. In a small clearing in the midst of densest woods, about twenty chiefs were seated in council circle passing calumets from hand to hand, and talking impressively of the White Man and his hatred of the Six Nations. Finally one of them, who seemed to be of higher dignity than the others, rose and addressed them in the deep, guttural language of his race.

"My brothers," said he, "how long shall we allow this bad flesh to remain on our lands? This year the English must perish throughout Canada. The great Master of Life commands it, and will you oppose his will?" After arousing their passions to the greatest tension, he desired to unfold his plan. A murmur of assent came from his listeners, after which he said:

"Before the next moon I will gain admission to the fort under the pretext of giving a calumet dance. For many hunting seasons our tribe has been peaceful, and they will not suspect our purpose. Once within that gate, we can see the strength of the fort; the rest is to be decided later." A mighty yell of approval followed this speech, and the savages departed, after singing a weird chant which the hollow depths of the woods made more dismal.

The interest in this great plan was not allowed to slaken, and scarcely had the deep snow and moaning trees announced December, when Pontiac presented himself at the fort of Weatherford with the request that his men might exhibit the calumet dance. After some doubt and hesitation, they were finally admitted. Their performance was viewed with no little interest, by Major Marvin and his officers. It was carried out in sections, so that, while one-half of the Indians were dancing, the others gazed about apparently with their natural curiosity. When the calumet was finished, they withdrew from the garrison, leaving the English in total ignorance of their purpose.

It was Christmas day, and active preparations were going on within the fort at Weatherford, although it was only nine o'clock by the sun. The little log houses were covered with a thin layer of snow that had

Worms

Hundreds of children and adults have worms but are treated for other diseases. The symptoms are—indigestion, with a variable appetite; loss of energy; nervousness; hard and full belly with occasional gripings and pains about the navel; eyes heavy and dull; itching of the nose; short, dry cough; grinding of the teeth; starting during sleep; slow fever; and often in children, convulsions.

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fallen during the previous night. Thin gray smoke rose contentedly from the clay chimneys until it was carried higher than the palisade and was frisked away with the wind. Scarcely a sound was heard, save the occasional laughter of some good housewife enjoying with her children the peculiar beauty of a new wooden toy, carefully whittled from a bit of pine.

Major Marvin was seated in the long kitchen watching his mother preparing the chicken for dinner. "We ought to be thankful, mother," he said "that crops were so good last summer. Guess with what we've got and one lot of vegetables from Detroit, we'll be fixed till spring."

"Ay, my son, and more than that to be thankful for. Just think of those poor settlers in Massachusetts. Ah! well,—but praps they're better off, Willum, praps they're better off."

"Always thinking of some one else, mother," he said, and taking her tenderly in his big, strong arms, he kissed her, saying, "I'd better go and see the boys at the fort a while, for it's pretty cold over there. Good-by, mother."

He stepped into the street, and, in going to the blockhouse, passed the gate of the fort, when he heard a voice ask for admittance. The sentinel asked:—

"What business?" Marvin stepped up to hear the answer, and in a tone of anguish heard the reply:—

"I tell Major Marvin." The latter ordered the gate to be opened, and the half-fainting figure of an Indian girl staggered within. "Ojibwa!" gasped Major Marvin. "I come to tell, to—" but, overcome with fatigue and cold, she fell fainting in the snow.

Marvin unfastened the cape about his neck, and, throwing it over the girl, carried her quickly to his home, lest the settlers should become alarmed at her appearance in the fort. His mother made some hot porridge, and after the girl had sufficiently recovered, she made known her errand.

Pontiac had summoned a council, and, under the pretext of discussing matters of great importance, would demand a meeting at the fort the next day. Only twenty men would come within the council room, but swarms would be in hiding about, so that, at a given signal, they would kill every man in the garrison.

The commandant's first thought was to alarm the men; then he began to question the report. "Ah, no, he said, 'your father's people have been at peace with us. They will not kill us,' but seeing the injured expression in her eyes, he went beside her chair, and, placing his hand gently on her head, he said simply: 'Forgive me, Ojibwa. Won't you tell me about it?'"

"It is like that. He comes tonight just before the sun falls," she answered. "He must not kill you."

"And why?" he said, looking straight into her eyes. They fell before his gaze, and then, recovering herself, she rose hurriedly, and said: "I must go back. My father, he miss me."

"Without telling me why, Ojibwa," he said innocently. "You are good. I like you. You show me to talk your language," and she hastily threw her mantle about her shoulders and stood waiting for him to lead the way for her. Yet he did not move for a few seconds, until, as if drawn by some magic, he came close to her, and said in a passionate undertone:—

"You have taught me more than that, Ojibwa. Before another winter you shall know how much. We will go to Detroit, where you will be safe, and you will know

our language as I know it, my people as I know them, our God as we worship him." He drew her toward him without resistance, for if she did not know the meaning of his words, she felt their power in his eyes and expression. Suddenly she drew away startled, and said:—

"I must go—you must get ready."

"Your answer, Ojibwa." She took his hand in both of hers and held it to her face. He was satisfied.

The rest of the day was spent in preparing for the attack. A few weak places in the palisade were strengthened, and every leaden article in the garrison transformed to a bullet.

It is sufficient to remark that few Indians were admitted to the fort, and what they saw and heard caused them to relinquish their plan. Weatherford was reinforced shortly after, and the Indian attack was indefinitely postponed.

The summer of '64 found Major Marvin and his bride safe in Detroit. No one ever told Pontiac how his conspiracy was betrayed. I wonder if he ever guessed?

His Reward.

It was Donald's first year at school and he came home one day a very sober boy.

"Mamma," he said, "the teacher says if we do it again we'll all have to stay after school. I don't know what it is,—if we whisper or if we don't study,—but anyway it's something like that, and when she told us, we all cried together."

"Well," said mamma, "you need not feel badly, because I don't suppose you will have to stay," and she gave Donald a reassuring smile.

"Why?" he asked. "Because you have too much sense. It must be a very stupid boy who will play and whisper in school and have to stay in and study in playtime."

Donald seemed satisfied with this hopeful view of the case.

Two days after, his mamma saw him coming up the street holding his head so high he fairly leaned over backward. He came in and hung up his hat.

"Ho! Some boys may like to play and whisper and get kept, but I've got sense! All the boys but me got kept. We can't tell yet which it was,—whisper or not study,—but it was one of 'em, and I just was still and worked, and here I am."—Youth's Companion.

Smiles.

An Amherst professor knocked at the door of a room where some students were carousing late at night.

"Who's there?" asked one of the students.

"It is me," replied the professor.

"Well, who is me?"

"Professor N—"

"Oh, go away; you can't fool us that way. Professor N— would have said, 'It is I'."

And the professor went away.

The maiden sorrowfully milked the goat, And pensively turned to mutter, "I wish you'd turn to milk, you brute," And the animal turned to butter (her).

"Take back the heart that you gave me" The angry maiden cried. So the butcher gave her liver, And she went off satisfied.

As Carl was going out one eve, His father questioned "With her?" And Carl, not wishing to deceive, With blushes answered, "With her!"

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Assets Dec. 31, 1902.

Real Estate	\$ 172,937 58
Mortgage loans	407,533 33
Collateral loans	120,000 00
Stocks and bonds	2,540,420 00
Cash in office and bank	251,870 87
Bills receivable	3,400 47
Uncollected premiums	223,377 42
Gross assets	\$3,779,569 67
Admitted assets	\$3,779,569 67
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses	\$ 152,032 70
Unearned premiums	1,367,520 97
All other liabilities	105,205 90
Total	\$1,624,759 57
Cash capital	1,000,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	1,154,810 10
Total liabilities and surplus	\$3,779,569 67

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American Insurance Co., Boston, Mass.

Assets Dec. 31, 1902.

Stocks and bonds	\$677,988 00
Cash in office and bank	40,447 08
Interest and rents	4,455 35
Uncollected premiums	135,315 41
All other assets	800 00
Gross assets	\$859,035 84
Admitted assets	\$859,035 84
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses	\$ 48,201 68
Unearned premiums	340,574 47
All other liabilities	62,995 34
Total	\$431,771 49
Cash capital	300,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities	127,284 35
Total liabilities and surplus	\$559,035 79

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United States Branch of the NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INS. CO. of London and Edinburgh, G.B.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1902.

Stocks and bonds	\$478,605 00
Cash in office and bank	322,439 37
Agents' Balances	618,714 24
Interest and rents	54,682 30
All other assets	4,831 70
Gross assets	\$1,485,262 61
Deduct items not admitted	21,506 10
Admitted assets	\$1,463,756 51
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses	\$ 308,387 43
Unearned premiums	4,995,945 43
All other liabilities	136,619 93
Total	\$5,400,952 79
Surplus over all liabilities	3,937,243 18

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New Jersey Plate Glass Insurance Co. of Newark, N. J.

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STATEMENT Dec. 31st, 1902.

CASH CAPITAL.

ASSETS.

Bonds and mortgages	\$104,600 00
Cash	15,205 15
Interest	2,575 28
Premiums in course of collection	16,572 64
All other assets	2,095 96
Total assets	\$131,324 03
LIABILITIES.	
Reserve for reinsurance	\$75,082 44
Losses unadjusted	1,553 73
Total	\$76,636 17
Surplus to policy holders	54,687 86
Net surplus	54,687 86

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The necessity of maintaining a proper, erect position of the body must, says a writer in the April Cosmopolitan, be borne in mind. Bear the weight on the balls of the feet, keep the shoulders back and down, the chest high, but do not hold the abdomen inward, as is taught by many athletic instructors. Let it be relaxed, for this part of the body should move in and out with each breath. There should be perfect freedom to breathe normally.

Growth of Our Language.

To give some idea of the tremendous growth of the English language it may be mentioned that the words and phrases under the letter "A" have increased since the middle of the nineteenth century from 7,000 to nearly 60,000. So enormous indeed has been the growth of the English language that it would be practically impossible for the most learned man to be acquainted with every word. Intelligent persons, even those engaged in the learned professions, do not make use of more than from 6,000 to 8,000 words all told, although there are properly belonging to our language over 200,000.

A Life Sentence.

"Would you call stealing a kiss larceny?" queried the inexperienced young man.

"I suppose so," replied the married man, who was hustling from dawn to dusk to support his family.

"What is the penalty?"

"Why, I stole a kiss one time and was sentenced to hard labor for life."—Philadelphia Record.

As Jack Saw It.

Jack, who is five years old, came home one day last week crying that another boy had hit him.

"Why didn't you hit him back?" he was asked.

"I did," he answered. "I hit him back first."—New York Times.

It is not the loudest church bell that brings the most money to the collection box.—Washington Post.

THE LONG TAILED TROGON

A Most Gorgeous Bird is the National Emblem of Guatemala.

By far the most interesting bird emblem of a modern state is that of the republic of Guatemala. It has been adopted as the national crest for so long that, partly through the taste for stamp-collecting, the existence of one of the rarest and most beautiful of the bird creation has been made far more widely known than it otherwise would have been. There is a race of birds called trogons, most of which have very fine feathers and remarkable coloring. They are found in India and the Malays, but are most numerous in Central and South America. It was from their plumage that the Mexicans made their famous mosaics of feather work. From the tail feathers they made the lustrous green helmets of their kings and nobles. The most gorgeous of all was the long tailed of resplendent trogon, which was kept as a sacred or royal bird in the palace of Montezuma or in one of the two houses which formed the royal menageries. Adequate description of the bird is almost impossible. It has a rounded plume on the head, cascades of feathers falling from the back over the shoulders, plumes falling over the tail a yard long and a most elegant contour. The color of the whole of the upper surface and plumes is a most resplendent golden green, that of the breast and under parts crimson or scarlet. Such is the national emblem of Guatemala.

Gibraltar's Story.

In 1704 the rock of Gibraltar fell into the hands of the British by assault. The Prince of Hesse-Darmstadt commanded the troops and Sir George Rooke the fleet, and in the remarkably short time of four days the stronghold surrendered. Many times the Spaniards attempted to get back the key to the Mediterranean, but without success, though on one occasion they got 500 men within the fort, but failed to re-take it. In 1726 it was in the mind of ministers to give back the rock to Spain, but so great an agitation arose against such a step that it was abandoned. There followed a siege by Spain and France, which lasted from 1727 to 1783. On Sept. 13, 1782, no fewer than 40,000 men constituted the besieging army, and in the grand attack delivered on that day 200 heavy guns, 47 ships of the line and 10 battering ships were employed, and upward of 5,000 red hot shots were fired at the fortifications. Since then the possession of Gibraltar has remained undisputed.

Wonderful Little Padlock and Chain.

In a curious old book entitled "The Wonders and Curiosities of London" there are the following particulars concerning a minute padlock: In the twentieth year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth Mark Scarliot, a blacksmith, made a lock consisting of eleven pieces of steel, iron and brass, all of which, together with the key, weighed but a small fraction over one grain. He also made a chain of gold, consisting of forty-three links, which, after fastening it to the lock and key above mentioned, he put around the neck of a common flea, the whole being so minute that the little insect could draw them over a silver plate with perfect ease. All of these together, lock, key, chain and flea, weighed a slight fraction less than two and a half grains.

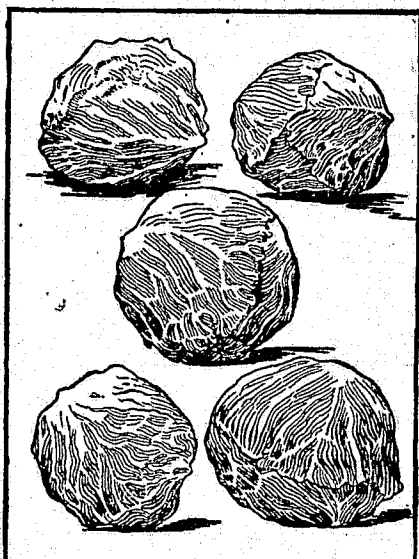
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The first application of nitrate of soda is to be made in the case of those crops which grow from the seed when the plants have made a good start. In the case of crops growing from transplanted plants the first application of nitrate is to be made when the plants are set. The time of the second and



CABBAGE FROM DIFFERENT PLOTS.

third applications is to be determined by the character of the season and the growth of the crop, and this period may vary from two to four weeks. There were five plots which yielded as follows:

	Number of heads.	Average weight per head.	Total value of crops.	Gain from nitrate.
Plot 1.	340.	2.7	\$5.10	—
Plot 2.	1,150	2.3	17.25	\$12.15
Plot 3.	1,770	3.0	20.55	21.45
Plot 4.	1,420	2.9	21.30	16.20
Plot 5.	2,170	3.5	48.33	43.73

The average gain for all the plots was 1,287 heads per acre, or more than three times as many as on plot 1. The influence of amount applied is also strikingly illustrated. The average gain from the application of 400 pounds of nitrate per acre was 1,450 heads, and the gain from the application of 300 pounds per acre was 1,125, an increase from the extra 100 pounds of 325—that is, the extra 100 pounds, while not causing the same rate of increase in the number of heads as did each 100 pounds of the first 300 applied, did cause a more perfect development of plant. In other words, the larger application resulted in the most satisfactory crop even though the plants did not economically use the larger amounts applied.

Plenty and Often Does It.

The method of application may be partly responsible for the difference in the yields from the different quantities applied—that is, we find that the method of application, as well as the amount applied, exerted an influence upon the yield and marketable value of the crop. Averaging the number of marketable heads upon plots 2 and 4, upon which the nitrate was used in two top dressings, we find the gain to be 945 heads, while the average gain from plots 3 and 5, upon which the amounts applied were divided into three equal portions, we have a gain of 1,030 heads, or an increase of 85 heads, due to the third application, the distribution of the nitrogen in three portions resulting in a greater difference in yield than was obtained from an extra 100 pounds of nitrate. In fact, the combination of extra quantity and extra application on plot 5 resulted in giving the largest number of marketable heads, the largest average weight per head and the highest selling price.

Waste of Corn Fodder.

In Missouri it is safe to estimate that something like 7,000,000 tons of corn fodder are grown in the average year. Certainly 3,500,000 tons, or one-half of all that is produced, is wasted. The average hay crop of the state is scarcely more than 3,000,000 tons and is estimated to be worth on the farm over \$20,000,000. Yet a large proportion of this hay is timothy, a material that supplies the same class of nutrients for our stock that is found in corn fodder.—H. J. Waters, Missouri.

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A Tip on Soft Corn.

Leave your soft corn on the stalk until it dries out in the shock, otherwise it will become withered in drying or else be apt to rot or sour. With proper care there should be no loss in soft corn, as the green stalk furnishes sufficient substance to mature the ear or nearly so without much withering. Keep it dry and it makes the finest feed for stock, says a West Virginian in National Stockman.

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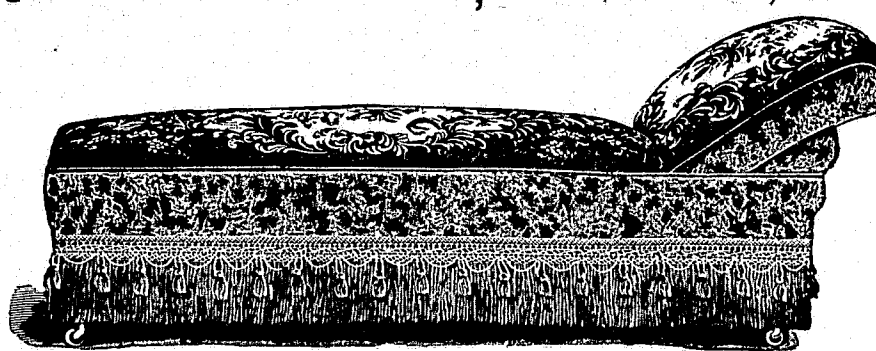
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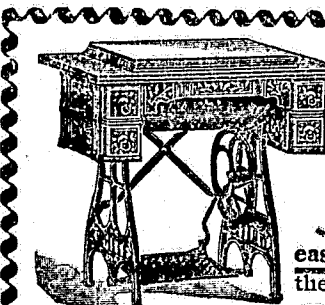


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